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INTERAGENCY  
Lelia Esch Schlabach, D.C.  
Chairman of the Board  
Board of Chiropractic Examiners  
State Boards' Administrative Office  
1645 W. Jefferson, Room 418  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: I81-002 (R79-213)

Dear Dr. Schlabach:

You have requested that we review that part of Ariz. Att'yGen.Op. No. 76-116 which relates to the authority of chiropractors to request and receive laboratory reports. That opinion indicated that chiropractors could not request or receive laboratory reports or manipulate a person by non-surgical procedure for the collection of specimens under A.R.S. § 32-471 since the chiropractic statutes did not require chiropractors to be examined in such subjects. The Legislature, in the first legislative session following promulgation of that opinion, amended A.R.S. § 32-922.B to require that chiropractors be tested in "diagnosis, including physical, clinical, x-ray and laboratory subjects."

It is our conclusion that the Legislature, in amending A.R.S. § 32-922.B to require study and training in diagnosis, including physical, clinical, x-ray and laboratory subjects, intended that the practice of chiropractic include the use of the findings of laboratory examinations. Therefore, we conclude that chiropractors are permitted by law to request laboratory examinations, receive reports of laboratory findings and manipulate persons by non-surgical procedures for the collection of specimens for laboratory examination. Ariz.Att'yGen.Op. No. 76-116 is revised to the extent that it is inconsistent herewith.

Sincerely,

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